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St. Mark's Place, Venice.

The beautiful building in which was formerly deposited the Library of St. Mark, is situated on one side of the Piazza di S. Marco. The architect was Sansovino, to whose genius Venice was indebted for many of her most magnificent structures. Jacopo Tatti, who afterwards assumed the name of Sansovino, was born at Florence, about the year 1479, and became the pupil of a sculptor, Andrea Contucci da Monte a Sansovino. His labours at Florence having rendered him much celebrated, he transferred his studio to Rome, where he became known, not only as a sculptor, but also as an architect of the highest talent. On the sack of Rome, in 1527, Sansovino was compelled to fly, and retreated to Venice, intending from thence to proceed to the court of France, whither he had been invited. Having been called upon to superintend the affairs of the Church of St. Mark, he executed this duty so much to the satisfaction of the senate, that he was appointed to the office of chief architect of the republic.

The first building erected in Venice, from the designs of Sansovino was the Zecca, or Mint, which was followed by that of the Library. In the execution of this work, however, the reputation of Sansovino was greatly endangered. Owing to some unforseen cause, the roof of the Library fell in, an accident which was attributed by the Senate to the negligence of the architect, who was thrown into prison, heavily fined, and deprived of the office of protomaestro. From this confinement, however, he was soon liberated, and being restored to his official situation, he continued to ornament the city with his splendid and classical designs. The remainder of his life was spent by Sansovino at Venice, where he died in 1570, at the advanced age of ninety-one, leaving behind that city not only with its most magnificent buildings, but also with many beautiful specimens of sculpture.

The Library of St. Mark is said to be indebted for its origin to the generosity of Petrarch. The poet had visited Venice in the character of Ambassador from the Visconti, to negotiate peace between the Republic and Genoa; and the consideration and respect with which he was received, appear to have produced an impression upon his mind highly favourable to the Venetians. Visiting the city on another occasion, he announced his intention of bequeathing to the republic his library. The Venetians gratefully accepted this inestimable present, which became the foundation of the Library of St. Mark. Amongst the manuscripts collected by Petrarch were one of Homer, presented to him by Nicholas Segouro, Ambassador from the Emperor of the East; a Sophocles, which he had received from Leontius Pilate, his instructor in the Greek language; a Latin translation of the Iliad and the Odyssey by the same person, copied by the hand of his pupil Boccaccio, together with the greater part of the works of Cicero, which the poet had himself transcribed.

Stimulated, probably, by the example of Petrarch, Cardinal Bessarion, in the year 1468, presented to the republic of Venice his rare collection of Greek and Latin manuscripts. In the letter which he addressed on this occasion to the Doge and Senate, he stated that, even from his boyhood, he had exerted all his labour, care and study, in the collection of books in every branch of literature. That, in his early youth, he had not only copied several volumes in his own hand, but had expended all the little money he could save in the purchase of manuscripts. That although he had ever been earnestly bent on such acquisitions, yet that, after the destruction of Constantinople, he had consumed his entire care, strength, power, and industry, in increasing his collection of the Greek writers; and that he had now selected the city of Venice as the depository of his library, on account of its admirable government, the number of Greeks which frequented it, and the benefits which he himself had derived from that city. This splendid gift was gratefully received by the Venetians, and by a decree of the Senate, was lodged in the ducal palace. The learned Sabellicus was the first librarian to whom the care of this collection was confided.

The chief benefactors to the Library of St. Mark, after its illustrious founders, Petrarch and Bessarion, were Giovanni Aristomani, Jacopo Nani, several members of the illustrious family of Contarini, Venturi Leonigo, Piero Morosini, and Nicolo Manuzzi. The librarians to whom the literary treasures of St. Mark were committed were of two classes, the superior or honorary librarian, and the acting librarian. In the list of the former, many of the most celebrated Venetian names are to be found—warriors, the scholars, and the Doges of Venice. Of the acting librarians many have been distinguished by their attachment to literature, and by their successful efforts in its cause.

Venice has always occupied an illustrious station in the republic of letters. She claims, though the claim has been disputed, the glory of having been the first to introduce the art of printing in Italy. The manuscript treasures of St. Mark's Library, and the learning and munificence of the Venetian nobility, soon drew to that city the most distinguished printers of the fifteenth century. The *editiones principes* of many of the classical writers were ushered from the Venetian press, which also gave to the world the first edition of the Bible printed in Hebrew characters. To Venice also is referred the invention of newspapers, a very remarkable fact, when the nature of the government is considered. The name of Gazette is derived from gazetta, a small piece of money paid for the Venetian newsletters. In literature, the annals of Venice present a long roll of splendid names—scholars, poets, and philosophers.

From the Token for 1835.

THE BROKEN MERCHANT.

BY MRS. S. J. HALE.

CHAPTER I.—THE DISCLOSURE.

"Here's a sad client charge."

"Are you ill, Charles?" said Mrs. Carlton, laying down her pencil; she had been sketching. Her husband did not answer, but seating himself heavily on the sofa, he pressed his right hand on his forehead.

His young wife arose gently, there was a slight suffusion on her cheek, but it was not wounded pride that her question had been unheeded. She leaned over the arm of the sofa, and tenderly laid her hand on his forehead. "Is there much pain in your head, my love?"

"Yes,—deep, terrible. Emily, you cannot relieve it."

"Let me try my skill at Mesmerism," said she, as she playfully ran her fingers through the clusters of his hair, and lifting the dark locks from his temple, pressed her rosy lip on the swollen and throbbing vein. Her kiss was as soft and still, that had a jealous lover been watching beside her he would not have heard a sound. Real and pure affection is always quiet and delicate in its attentions—and no man or refinement can long love a wife, whose demonstrations of attachment are obtrusive and importunate.

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"Nothing"—said he, calmly.

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"I will tell you, Emily—for you must know. I am ruined."

"Ruined! How? Why?"

"I am a Bankrupt, Emily. I have *failed*—lost all my property, all!" and he again covered his face.

"Well, my dear husband, if it be lost, let it go. There are a thousand ways to live by industry; and I can do a good many things."

"But, Emily, you do not comprehend this at all. I am a broken merchant. I shall not be trusted with business. I owe thousands that I cannot pay. I have nothing, nothing left."

"Yes, my love, you have what you have often called your dearest treasure still." And she twined her arm around the neck of her husband, and tenderly drew his head upon her shoulder.

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"That is rather an unusual course, remarked Mr. Halford. "Most of our broken merchants contrive to secure a share for themselves. You are his friend—why did you not advise him better?"

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"Squeamish." How do you mean?

"Why, he applied to old Colonel Davis, to whom he was owing a considerable debt, and told him how matters stood, and the reasons he had for believing he might retrieve his affairs, if he could obtain a loan of ten thousand for a few months, and he offered Davis good security for the money—but the old Colonel knows how to manage. He would not loan the cash, unless he could have his debt likewise provided for in the security. This Carlton thought would not be doing the honorable by his other creditors, and he refused; and Davis immediately levied an attachment."

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"And a he gone" on sudden solitude
How oft that fatal question will intrude.
'Twas but an instant passed, and here he stood!
And now where flies the partin frown she mustered,
And then at long h *her tears* in freedom gushed!"

CHAPTER IV.—GOSSIP.

"Slight love of show, alas, that it should warp
Our kindliest feelings, by its selfish pride."

"So, your beautiful friend Mrs. Carlton, the brightest star in the galaxy of fashion, has been shorn of her beams, they tell me, and has left Philadelphia, and buried herself somewhere in the shades of Kensington;" said Mr. Mears.

"Say rather, she is ruralizing in Kensington. I cannot endure to think of such a total eclipse for poor Emily," said Miss Arabella Folsom, affectedly sighing, as she classed her jewelled hands and stood, that had a jealous lover been watching beside her he would not have heard a sound. Real and pure affection is always quiet and delicate in its attentions—and no man or refinement can long love a wife, whose demonstrations of attachment are obtrusive and importunate.

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To Readers and Correspondents.

We should be glad to have an interview with C. B. [illegible] when he returns.

The articles from Aurora, will be inserted.

The communication referred to by "J. D. S." was not received. Articles that are not fitted for publication, we cannot undertake to return to their respective [illegible].

We do not approve of the subject which Poor Will has chosen for an article, and are constrained to reject his lines, though they contain many passages that go to show discernible. Young writers should have low works for other hands, for unless they are skillfully managed they degenerate into silliness and are disgusting beyond measure. Poor Will must be quiet.

The sketch by Jeffrey is pretty and dull.

The article signed O. P. Q. will be published short [illegible].

Poetry will receive attention.

Clemens is rejected.

LITERARY NOTICES.

The Unfortunate Man.—Messrs. Carey, Lea and Blanchard, have just published an American edition of "The Unfortunate Man," by Capt. Chamier, of the Royal Navy, author of the "Life of a Sailor." We have found leisure to peruse a few chapters only, and these have prepossessed us in its favour. All who have read Captain Chamier's previous work, will no doubt take up the present with eagerness. We may speak of it more particularly next week.

Part 11, of the Franklin Library, contains the conclusion of Jacob Faithful, and several tales from the pen of James Sheridan Knowles, among which are—The Magdalen, Love and Authorship, and Old Adventures.

Number 4 of the American Magazine, published in Boston, by the Boston Bewick Company, has just appeared. It contains a number of embellishments, and a variety of interesting reading articles.

Mr. John S. Leitch's "Law Library" for March has been issued, and contains complete, Hare's "Principles for Expounding Dispositions of Real Estate in Ancient and Here in Tail, Parent and Issue, and Solving the Question, 'Whether the first taker in Tenant for Life or in Tail?'" with an Elementary Essay, and Dissertations on several of Mr. Fearne's Doctrines, and Analytical Tables of Cases, exhibiting their Decisions at one view; Precedents, and Practical Notes."

The April number of this valuable periodical will contain the commencement of a Practical Treatise of Assets, Debts and Incumbrances. By James Ram, Esq. of the Inner Temple.

We gain heartily recommend the "Law Library" to the favor of the profession, as a cheap, invaluable guide-book, necessary we should think to every reading lawyer, and always appearing in a beautiful dress.

Conversations on Chemistry.—A little work, entitled a "Catechism on Chemistry, adapted to the course of lectures delivered in the University of Pennsylvania—by Isaac S. Hayes, M. D." has just been published by Mr. J. G. Auner, 334 Market street. It treats of the various branches of this interesting science, in a lucid and condensed form, and furnishes much valuable information for the man of science as well as for the general reader.

The Gentleman in Black.—This is the title of a very amusing work in one volume, just published by Carey and Hart of this city. The Gentleman in Black, as the gentleman with a long nose, is announced in single shape, and renders assistance to a gay rotary of fashion, who has lost his all at the gaming table. A contract is made between the parties—the Gentleman in Black agrees to provide money, and the poor Frenchman promises to use it several the first year, two seconds the second, four seconds the third, eight seconds the fourth, sixteen seconds the fifth, and so on during his natural life. The incidents of the work hinge upon this contract, and the gradual progress of crime is most admirably depicted. The vein of humour, and the laughable scenes interspersed in the work, are irresistible.

Messrs Key & Biddle have just published several new and entertaining works, among which are the following:

Tales and Tales.—One volume, containing "The Convert's Daughter," and "The Convert's Daughter." Both are well written and abounding interesting sketches and incidents. Dedicated to Daniel Richardson, Esq. The volume is dedicated to Geo. Spencer Cook, Esq.

Tales in Verse.—This is a little work, but will prove of much value to those who are learning the French language. It contains a great number and variety of tales and essays, stories, &c. suitable for translation. The style is simple, and at the end of each chapter a translation of idiomatic expressions is furnished to aid the student.

The School. Bad's Tales.—A small volume prepared by the author of the "Young Man's Guide," as a manual of social life and useful conversation, exercises and sermons, for the leisure hours of youth. It is embellished with a number of very pretty cuts, and cannot fail to prove a agreeable museum or children. Some idea of the author's plan, and the arrangement of his subjects may be obtained by the following extract, which we commend to a earnest attention of our juvenile readers.

A Plan for the true enlightenment of Leisure hours during the period of Instruction in School.

What we have already said is sufficient to convince any ingenuous and fair minded youth of the importance of a general system of industry in school. Nothing who is deeply impressed with the foregoing remarks will fail to make himself in his leisure during school hours. Of what use means can a to effect this? Rings and bracelets he may wear, for they recommend him to his own office; but the terms and fashions of [illegible]

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are snowy, boundless forests, vast prairies, mighty mountains and rivers, are at all times animated and vigorous. The language of the work is close throughout and the incidents of the author's journey are rendered deeply interesting, by the manner in which they are described. The work has all the freshness of original—although the author has not selected an untrodden field—and affords a rich and pleasing picture of our immense western territories, of which so little is known to the residents on the Atlantic slope. We predict for Mr. Hoffman's work an unusual degree of popularity, as it cannot fail to challenge the admiration of all liberal and candid critics.

We cannot forego the pleasure of making two or three extracts.

The treacherous attributes of the shore of Lake Erie suggested to my companion, who, though young, has been a traveller in his day, an incident he witnessed while journeying through some of the remote prairies of Illinois, which would make an horrible subject for the pencil of Weir or Inman. He had ridden with an English gentleman for many hours through an unoccupied country, where not a drop of water was to be obtained for their horses, when, coming suddenly upon a clear stream, rushing over its bed of yellow sand, their weary beasts sprang forward simultaneously, to drink from the grateful current. A break in the bank caused their riders to rein up and dismount, retaining at the same time the loosened rein in their hands, while their horses stepped down to the margin of the brook. The American, finding but the shallowest bottom yielded as soon as touched, jerked his terrified beast from the fatal spot, while as yet his forefeet were only immersed in the quicksand. But the frame of the Englishman, in his eagerness to get at the water, made but one step to destruction. He sank floundering to his shoulders before an effort could be made to rescue him; and then, as his struggles to extricate himself from the engulfing sand, he loosed his hold of his high above its surface, and the sinking outside from his quarters in a moment beneath them. The agonies of the suffocating animal differed with the fierce death expression, and giving that hideous cry—

"The cry of steeds that shriek in agony,"

he tossed his head frantically above his greedy grave—his nose flattened for a moment on the shallow water, and the foal of the stream closed over him for ever.

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The love of spectacle implies is a natural craving of the red man, which is irrepressible, and as such it has found the more humane and intelligent pioneer speak of the people who have passed their days among the Indians, and have of one their lives to match them from the perdition. The haughtiest chief will travel a hundred miles for a pint of whiskey, and get drunk the moment he receives it, wherever he may be. Providence seems to have ordained that this propensity of our race should not continue on the earth, and fate has infused a fatal thirst into the red tribes, which is hastening their doom with fearful celerity. But my years ago, and the woods around me were alive with Indians; now they are only traversed by a few such straggling as those. The tomahawk and scalping knife have done their work, in impossible. You may more easily excite the slumbers Attaché than the most intelligent Indian; and yet, who for a moment would compare the street poet and mawkish tract, the art, the *blanded* look of the one, with his keen eagle eye and rare manners, to the unmeaning face, the shuffling gait, and stupid bearing of the other? Where, then, lies the difficulty? The African is an inferior animal, the Indian is not. He will copy the form of your weapons, for he has left their edges, and he will make himself fabulous by wearing a cocked hat, but he cannot—he never will—he is incapable of being taught to use them properly. The negro farmer has the best raw material for a shandy that can be had; he learns to make the best use he has and adapt his skills and [illegible]

The story of Adam Fox's desperate encounters with two Indians, as told to "Mr. ——" is full of Western life and character. It was about the close of the Revolution that a party of six or seven Wyandot Indians crossed over to the south side of the Ohio River, five miles below Pittsburg, and on the Pennsylvania side, among the early settlers killed an old man, whom they found alone in one of the houses which they plundered. The news soon spread among the white people, scores in pursuit of whom soon joined their ranks, and pursued the Indians, and on the same day overtook the savages. Adam and Andrew Fox, strong and active men, and much respected in the settlement. They followed up the chase all night, and in the morning found the Indians, as they supposed, upon the Ohio River, and, as they thought, should now be easily followed by their traces on the dew. The point of one very large foot was seen, and it was thus known that a famous Indian of uncommon size and strength must be of the party. The track led to the river. The whites followed in disorder, than Fox exclaimed, "Stop, boys! this must be taken by surprise, broke off from the rest. His intention was to creep along the edge of the bank under cover of the trees and bushes, and to fall upon the savages so suddenly that he might get the [illegible] [illegible] and shot out of his ambush. At the point where he suspected they were, he saw the table which they were accustomed to push before them when they swam the river, and on which they placed their blankets, tomahawks, and guns. The Indians themselves he could not see, and was obliged to creep on his hands and knees to the edge of the bank, where he suddenly rose, with his rifle cocked, he discovered the [illegible] Indian and a smaller one squatted from the shelter, and holding their rifles also cocked in their hands. He took aim at the larger one, and he still stooped, without giving the intended fire. The Indians seized instantly their guns, and fired at him as they rushed to retreat, and had not time to cock and take aim again. Suddenly he leaped down upon them, and caught the large Indian by the clothes, on his breast, and the smaller one by throwing an arm round his neck, they struggled for their lives. Andrew was approaching, and the Indians, who were engaged in keeping the large Indian, the smaller one, who was a boy, fell to his feet, and, as the contest was for life, he was soon stabbed. The large Indian, as he was in most close contact with his body, and held him fast, was not aware of the fate of his boy, and, as he was at the approach and the intended stroke he spared his foot and [illegible]

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THE CAVALIERS OF VIRGINIA.

The Harpers have just published an historical romance under this title, from the pen of the author of "The Kentucktan in New York," which we have found unusually interesting. In the selection of his subject and in treating of its national character, the writer has displayed judgment and taste. The history of the "Ancient Dominion" during the secondary of the Protector and Charles the 2d, is in itself a fruitful theme of instruction, but when we find interwoven with the matter of fact detail of passing events, a vivid and graphic tale, from the pen of an able and accomplished American writer, our gratification is greatly enhanced. If the author of this work had more ambitious—we speak in reference to the national character of his subject—we might soon be enabled to hurl back upon British pedants, in rebutting the silly taunt, "who reads an American book?" the pert reply—*who does not?*

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The work may be obtained of Mr. H. Perkins, Chestnut street.

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It has been so long since we have heard from our friend Hill, that we were beginning to fear that some accident had happened him in the South, where he has been located for some months. We are required to learn, however, by the annexed notice in the New Orleans Bulletin, of Jan. 31st, that he still flourishes.

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I was sitting by my English companion on a sledge in front of the hotel, enjoying the sunshine, when the old man drove down the long avenue and stopped at the door. One of them, walking up and down the road to get the cramp of a confined seat out of his legs, addressed a remark to us in English. We had neither of us seen him before, but we exclaimed simultaneously, as he turned away, "There an American!" "How do you know he was not an Englishman?" I asked. "Because," said my friend, "he spoke to us without an introduction and without a reason, as Englishmen are not in the habit of doing, and because he ended his sentence with 'sir,' as no Englishman does except to a superior officer or to a person he is rude to." "And how did you know it?" asked a "Partly by instinct," I answered, "but more because, though a traveller, he wears a new hat that cost ten dollars, and a new cloak that cost him fifty, a peculiar American extravagance, because he made it, from long habit, a point of dress to wear what lasts him, though his intention was to be cool, and because he used four dictionary words to express a common idea, which, by the way, too, betrays his southern breeding. And, if you want other evidence, he has just asked the gentleman near him to aid the conductor in the slight breakage of his son, in the same [illegible] years previously.

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Orders have been received here for the immediate condemnation of the two vessels of war on the stocks at our Navy Yard.

The citizens of Lancaster have subscribed thirty thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of erecting public buildings for the State Government.

A man named Stewart committed suicide in Pittsburgh last week, in consequence of pecuniary losses. A young Englishman, in the same city, was found dead in his bed in the morning. He had been taken to his chamber in a state of intoxication.

Above 20,000 pupils have been educated in Lancasterian Schools in the city within the last twenty-eight years, and of this number above 55,000 are officially reported as having been admitted to tuition in the public schools alone.

The Pottstown Gazette, published at Pottstown, Montgomery county, is offered to sale.

John Mathur, Esq. has been re-elected Mayor of Lancaster city.

The Maine Stocks at New York, which had fallen 10 or 12 per cent. rose again on Saturday to their old rates, in consequence of the news from France.

Old Inconsistency.—The Boston Atlas of Saturday says "We are happy to hear that the veteran, Commodore Rogers, is to take command of the Frigate Constitution, after her arrival at New York, and will proceed in her to the Mediterranean. On his arrival there, he will assume the command of the squadron."

We have recorded a number of instances lately of extreme old age in the south, but we believe the following goes ahead of all. A colored woman, the property of Wm. T. Mason, of Loudoun county, died at the advanced age of one hundred and thirty retaining her bodily and mental faculties.

A rail road is to be commenced immediately between St. Francisville, Louisiana, and Woodville, Mississippi. Another between Clinton and Baton Rouge will no doubt also be shortly commenced, a sufficient sum having been already subscribed. The state of Louisiana is making great progress in internal improvements.

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A letter from a late member at the Chamber of Deputies, addressed to Capt. Forbes, and received just before his departure from Havre, says—"The honor of France is so deeply concerned in fulfilling the treaty, that I am fully satisfied the Indemnity bill will soon pass the Chambers."

A young man named J. McLaughlin, attached to a Thespian society, at Nashville, Tenn. while practising the character of Sheridan, accidentally inflicted a wound upon himself of so dangerous a nature as to cause his death. His mother resides at Lancaster, Penn.

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Fatal Shot.—On the evening of the 11th, inst. at a place called Alabama, Nottaway, Co. Virginia, a personal and political feud, which had long existed between Doctors Worsham and J. C. Jackson, was settled by the death of the latter, who was shot by the former, and died immediately.

Robert Sayre, of Providence, Rhode Island, aged about 17 years, fell from the main yard arm of the brig H. Bennett, Capt. Dunham, on the 20th instant, off the Capes of Delaware, and died from the hurt received thereby on the 23d inst.

The cabinet maker's shop, tools and materials of Mr. Bunn, in Douglass township, Berks county, were destroyed by fire on the 10th—no insurance.

They had a violent snow storm in Boston, on Tuesday.

A dwelling in Cambridgeport, Mass. was destroyed by fire on Friday last.

A dwelling in Milton, with furniture, was burnt on the same day.

A man named J. Prescott, aged about 30, was drowned in Boston harbor last week.

In the New York Senate on Thursday last the bill prohibiting the circulation of small notes, was passed by a vote of 25 to 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood are about to embarking for America.

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COMMUNICATED.

THE ARTISTS' FUND SOCIETY

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1792	77,227,924 66	1814	81,487,846 16
1793	80,352,634 06	1815	99,833,660 15
1794	78,427,404 77	1816	127,334,018 67
1795	80,747,587 64	1817	123,491,965 16
1796	83,762,172 07	1818	103,466,633 83
1797	82,064,479 33	1819	95,529,648 28
1798	79,228,529 00	1820	91,015,566 15
1799	78,408,669 77	1821	89,987,427 66
1800	82,976,294 35	1822	93,546,052 97
1801	83,038,050 31	1823	90,875,877 28
1802	80,712,632 04	1824	90,269,777 77
1803	77,054,686 30	1825	83,788,432 71
1804	75,723,270 66	1826	81,054,059 99
1805	69,865,219 13	1827	73,987,357 20
1806	65,196,413 32	1828	67,475,780 28
1807	63,173,345 52	1829	58,421,413 67
1808	57,021,241 07	1830	48,565,406 50
1809	53,173,217 52	1831	39,123,191 61
1810	48,005,587 76	1832	24,322,235 18
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Foreign Intelligence.

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The order of the day was the communication of the Government, announced yesterday in the Moniteur. Before the opening of the Session, fixed for 1 o'clock, Marshal Mortier, President of the Council, and M. Humann, were in the ministerial seat, and a number of Deputies were present. Mr. Dupin took the chair at 1 o'clock. After the reading of the process verbal, M. M. Simonne, Nicod and Blanchet, recently elected Deputies, delivered the ratification of their powers and were admitted to their seats—at this time the attendance was exceedingly numerous.

The President gave the word to the Minister of Finance. A profound silence immediately ensued.

M. Humann.—Gentlemen—Faithful to the accomplishment of its duty, the Government was disposed to submit anew to your deliberations the measures necessary for the execution of the treaty of the 4th of July, 1831. It had prepared a bill to defend them in the name of justice and in the name of the political and commercial interests of France, and it is hoped that you would participate in the convention upon which they acted.

The Message of the President of the United States at the opening of the American Congress, has suspended the execution of this design. The Government had from that moment, to examine whether it still remained under the empire of the same duty—whether the dignity of France did not demand a different line of conduct—or, finally, whether there existed any means of placing the immutable laws of justice in accordance with the legitimate sentiment of the national honor.

The Government of the King, gentlemen, need not justify itself before you from the reproaches which the President of the United States has lavished upon it. Such a controversy would be alike without object, and without dignity. Nevertheless, in the debates which must ensue before you, all the necessary explanations will be given, and all the documents which will be required will be submitted to the Chamber.

General Jackson *has been misinformed as to the extent of the powers which the Constitution of the State confers upon us.* But if he is mistaken with regard to the laws of our country, we will not fall into a similar error on the subject of the Constitution of America.

The spirit and letter of that Constitution alike forbid us to view the document to which I have referred, in any other light than as the opinion of a single individual, so long as that opinion has not received the sanction of the two co-ordinate powers of the American Union. The message is an act of government, as yet unemployed, and which cannot therefore hurry us to any of those determinations by which France usually replies to a menace, or an injury.

Gentlemen, we might wait until the resolutions of Congress should arrive to prescribe to us our conduct.

But a temporizing policy, we should neither have the advantage of ensuring the security of our commercial relations, nor of eventually placing them under the protection of reprisals. By the adoption, likewise, of such a system, the two governments would be compelled to wait mutually, (upon the proceedings of each other) and from the great distance by which they are separated, the legislative sessions, both at Washington and Paris, would probably terminate—leaving this important question not only undecided, but irritated by fresh delays. In this state of things, the government has rejected a temporizing system.

The question of the national dignity has a right to its first solicitude. You are aware, gentlemen, how it has been provided for; yet, as the treaty of July has become neither less just, nor less politic than before,—as the proceeding of the President of the United States has not availed to weaken the bases of equity and reason, on which the transaction rests,—the government has persevered in its determination to present the subject anew to your examination. This engagement has been made—the honor of France demands that it should be fulfilled.

In this important deliberation, the Chamber, we doubt not, while watching vigilantly with us over the national dignity, will keep in mind all the sentiments of good will and friendship which for sixty years have united the French and the American nations. It will recall to mind those high considerations of commercial power, and of maritime force, which have ever caused our alliance with the United States to be regarded as one of the unalterable rules of our national policy.

In holding this language, we only wish to render homage to those truths which are at every time—to oppose them to temporary misconceptions—and, above all, to declare, that France imputes, neither to the people nor to the government of the United States, the sentiments and the propositions which their President has expressed. We only wish to see in his Message to Congress, the inconsiderate act (l'acte peu réfléchi) of an isolated power; and the national honor does not the less command us to persist in the policy which has been adopted with the King's government—the policy of good faith.

Gentlemen: You will scrupulously weigh the motives which solicit the adoption of the treaty. It will be required of you, above all other things, that, in examining this question, you will divest your minds, as we have done, of every consideration unconnected with the subject itself. In other words, uncontaminated with the right which belongs to France, and with the compensation we should offer for the commercial advantages which the treaty guarantees to France.

Impressed with these considerations, gentlemen, the government make me its organ of again laying before you the project of the law which I shall show have the honor of reading to you.

It has been judged necessary to insert an eventual clause, of which, without doubt, you will acquiesce in the property. This clause forbids the payments to be made on the sum fixed by the treaty, until the intention of the American Government shall be made known. It is our right, and our duty, gentlemen, to render that government responsible for every act which may tend to wound the dignity and the interests of France.

The following are the provisions of the project of the law:—

Art. 1. The Minister of the Finances is authorized to carry to the Budget of each of the years 1830, 1831, 1832, 1833, 1834, 1835, 1836, 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, the sum requisite to pay off in six equal terms the capital of 25,000,000 francs which are due in execution of the Treaty signed on the 4th July, 1831, between France and the United States, and the ratifications of which were exchanged at Washington, on the 2d of February 1832.

Art. 2. The sum of 1,500,000 francs, which the Government of the United States engaged to pay to France as annual instalments in discharge of the claims of French citizens, shall be credited to a special article of the Budget as the recoveries are made. Credits to a similar amount shall be opened to the minister of the Finances for the discharge of the claims that may have been liquidated in favor of French citizens.

Art 3. The payments to be made on the sum of 25,000,000 francs shall not be carried into effect till it shall have been ascertained that the Government of the United States has adopted no measures injurious to the French interests.

The question was then proposed to the Minister, that this project of law should be printed and distributed, and the day for discussion ultimately fixed.

We extract the following from the New York Star. Below we give two letters from our correspondent, one of the 15th and another on the morning of the 18th, as the Orpheus was leaving the dock. In his last letter, his advices from Paris are of a more pacific character, and in fact after the first ebullition of feeling is over, we think the French people will look at the matter in a calm light, and pass the indemnity bill. Mr. Clay's able report in the Senate, unanimously adopted, will, we think, settle the matter when it arrives.

An extract of a letter of the 16th of January, from an important source in London, to a gentleman in New York, says, "Mr. Sumner, the French Ambassador, has been recalled, and Mr. Livingston notified that his passports were ready for him, *if he required them.*"

This step, although looking warlike, yet carries its salve with it, as the Minister of Foreign Affairs at the same time told Mr. Livingston that the *Government would recommend* the Chambers to make the appropriation for the payment of the debt. *It is the general impression here that the French will pay if Congress does nothing this session.*"

From our Liverpool Correspondent.

January, 18, 1834.

General Bernard is incessant in his efforts to terminate the affair tranquilly, and appease the feelings of the French people, much exasperated, as they are, by the unpolitic threats of the American President. He every where represents, on the Bourse and in the Theatres, that Congress will not, by any act, sanction the language of the President; and that, while the American people are desirous of obtaining the amount of indemnity, they have no idea of war.

I hope that your Congress will be discreet in this matter. It is not in the habit of brother Jonathan to rush into a costly contest, without calculating what is to be made or lost by it. A little mildness and management—a little playing off and negotiation—would have succeeded much better with a people so hot as the French than threats of war. At all events, you will perceive that certain English journals, of the tory stamp, are chuckling at the idea of a war, and endeavor to widen the breach, and increase the irritation, by pretending to have sympathies for the injustice done to America.

My opinion is, that the money will be paid, especially if the action in either branch of Congress shall discountenance the warmth contained in the speech of the American President.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.—LETTER III.)

Liverpool Jan. 16.

The President's Message.—The annual semi-annual message of the President of the United States of America, usually excites no more than a fleeting and temporary interest. The packets bring it, "on the wings of the wind" to Liverpool—the editors of the papers there copy it, wholly or in part,—some of them may venture to remark, upon the leading points,—the London papers re-copy from their brethren of the "broad sheet" at Liverpool,—and then the whole affair is over. In fact, a well got-up police report, ingeniously embellished by the "penny-a-liner," excites more interest than the President's Message. On this occasion, however, the message was looked for with great anxiety. The state

Philadelphia Prices Current.

[illegible] for the Saturday Evening Post, by Robt. T. Dick [illegible] Secretary of the Exchange.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 27, 1835.

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ATKINSON'S SATURDAY EVENING POST.

PHILADELPHIA:

Saturday, Feb. 28, 1835.

☞ The Carriers of this paper are not authorized to sell any copies. They may be obtained at the publication office in Carter's Alley.

☞ **Look at the Terms on the last page.**—*There has been no change in them for many years past.*

☞ Our subscribers are cautioned against making any payments, on account of this paper or the Casket, to WILLIAM DAUGHERTY, as that person is no longer in our employ.

☞ The publisher gratefully acknowledges the receipt of $5, from Mr. William Cooper, Woodruff's P. O. S. C., in reply to an announcement of his discontinuance made in this paper some months since.

We understand that Messrs. Evans & Caldwell have four new Omnibuses now being built at Troy, N. Y., which are intended for the Chesnut street line, and will be placed on the route on or about the 20th of April next. For splendour and elegance of workmanship, they are not to be surpassed by any thing of the kind in the United States; and from the well known merits of the proprietors, we trust they will receive the support of a generous public.

During the sleety days of last week, when our pavements were covered with ice, a number of accidents occurred of a very serious character. We have heard of one young lady, who was so much injured by a heavy fall, that she died soon after, and before she could be conveyed to her residence. Many other accidents, not so melancholy in their results, have been mentioned to us.

A son of Thomas Wood, of Coopersville, Pa. on his way to Wilmington, slipped in consequence of the ice, and fell under the wheels of a wagon, with which he was travelling. He died in about an hour after.

We have heard a rumour, that a few days previous to the commencement of the present session of Congress, an interview took place between President Jackson, and M. Serurier, Minister from France, in the course of which the President got excited, and flatly contradicted the French Minister. It is said that M. Serurier, immediately wrote to France, desiring to be recalled, and many believe this circumstance has raised the present difficulty between the two nations. Time may develope the truth of this supposition.

The conduct of the Government of France towards America has not been, in all respects, as dignified and courteous as it might have been. Our present claims against that country for the destruction of American property, are of long standing, and originated before the last war with Great Britain. Until very recently these claims have been treated with contempt, and now, when a more liberal and just policy has been compelled to acknowledge our right, the stipulated amount is withheld.

A friend of ours, late a member of Congress, some years since travelled in a steam boat in company with a member of the French Government. The conversation turned on the facts here noticed, and our friend asked the French Minister the cause of this bad treatment. "Tell me, candidly," said he, "in what rank of nations the French Government places the United States—in the first, second, third, fourth or fifth?"

"Perhaps," replied the Frenchman, "in the fifth or sixth grade."

This is literally true, and it furnishes a practical illustration of the course of France towards America. While the French have been prompt in making concessions—called for by their own misdeeds—to other nations, they have uniformly treated us with neglect and contumely.

WIVES WANTED.

We have more than once referred to the fact that in some of the Western States, particularly Illinois and Missouri, there is a scarcity of females, occasioned by the steady and continued influx of men from the northern and eastern sections of our country. These hardy adventurers leave our populous cities in the east, and take up rich lands in the west, where, by industry and attention, they soon acquire a competence.

When a man has enough and to spare he naturally begins to think of a wife, but to obtain a wife in the west is a matter of much difficulty. Females are few in number, and these are courted and married as soon as they arrive at the proper age, so that none remain on hand. This scarcity of ladies constitutes a general subject of complaint among the bachelors of the west, who make earnest appeals to the females of the east to emigrate and live among them.—A letter from a gentleman in St. Louis, to his mother in Boston, which we find in the American Traveller, says:—

"Among the methods of passing the evenings here, is the yankee institution of parties composed of both sexes. They have been quite break during the long evenings; and were it not for the fact that there are two beaux to a belle, we should enjoy them much better. You know mother, it is not so in Massachusetts. All the ladies here are in great demand and get married early in life; I am told that an old maid is a rare commodity in this market. I am firmly of opinion, that should the young ladies among you get up an emigration fewer, and come out here, to this land flowing with milk and honey, they would be sure not to wither and pine away, as I think many must who calculate on spending the remnant of their days among the rocks and the sterile fields of New England. Depend upon it, every old maid, who has come out, (and the number is not few,) has found a husband!"

The editor of the Tennessee Recorder, in giving the state of the market in the town of Randolph, adds the following to his list of articles.

Bachelors.—Plenty and dull; no present prospects of a *change*. *Bargains* might be effected at *fair* prices, as holders are anxious to sell off at cost. A small sale only effected the present week.

Matrimony.—The depression in this article for the past six months, we are glad to see is about to be succeeded by a happy change. Purchasers are anxious to effect *bargains*, and *holders*, (with few exceptions, and those of inferior articles,) value their stock highly. A *bargain* has been closed since our last, a superior article, for home consumption. Private offers have also been made of goods, which sales are effected, we will take notice. *Refusals* also have occurred. We anticipate brisk times in this article during the coming cold winter, which we hope may warm the cold feelings of his worshipful, reverence, Mons. Priest. Quotation nominal.

Young Ladies.—Scarce and in demand. A fair article would find fair purchasers at a fair price. A sweet and smiling disposition, is an indispensable requisite for the market.

ARMY AND NAVY OF THE U. STATES.

The standing or regular army of the United States, is extremely small—for having no formidable enemy in our immediate vicinity, there is but little occasion for drilled troops. In 1815, the strength of the army was fixed by act of Congress, at 9980 men. In 1821, the number was reduced to 6442, and in January 1832, a still further reduction took place, and the number was fixed at 6188, viz:

1 Major General, 2 Brigadier Generals, 1 Adjutant General, 2 Inspector Generals, 1 Quarter Master General, 4 Quarter Masters, 1 Commissary General of Subsistence, 2 Commissaries, 1 Surgeon General, 8 Surgeons, 45 Assistant Surgeons, 1 Paymaster General, 14 Paymasters, 1 Commissary General of Purchase, 1 Assistant Engineer, 2 Military Storekeepers, 12 Colonels, 12 Lieutenant Colonels, 19 Majors, 120 Captains, 148 First Lieutenants, 148 Second Lieutenants, 11 Sergeant Majors, 11 Quartermaster Sergeants, 354 Sergeants, 424 Corporals, 14 Principal Musicians, 212 Musicians, 168 Artificers & Ordnance men, 4,452 Privates. Aggregate, 6,188.

The militia constitutes the principal military force of the country, as it comprises all the males between the ages of 18 and 45. When the militia are called into the field for actual service, they have the same pay and allowances as the regular army, but are only bound to serve for six months. The number of militia in the several states and territories, is as follows:

Maine,	41,136	Kentucky,	63,602
New Hampshire,	29,149	Tennessee,	60,087
Massachusetts,	48,500	Ohio,	125,159
Connecticut,	24,993	Louisiana,	14,808
Rhode Island,	9,600	Indiana,	40,900
Vermont	27,653	Mississippi,	13,724
New York,	188,615	Illinois,	8,561
New Jersey,	39,171	Alabama,	30,000
Pennsylvania,	177,743	Missouri,	7,838
Delaware,	7,454	Michigan,	1,503
Maryland,	46,113	Arkansas,	2,028
Virginia,	101,054	Dis. of Columbia,	1,756
North Carolina,	61,785	Florida, (no return)	
South Carolina,	49,512		
Georgia,	39,056	Total,	1,262,315

The Navy of the United States is at present small in point of numbers, but its efficiency was fully established during the last war with Great Britain. The model of the American ships of war, is extremely neat and symmetrical. From 1816 to 1821, one million of dollars was expended annually in building ships of war. Since 1821, the sums thus appropriated have been reduced one half. The strength of the American Navy was, in 1833, as follows:

7 ships of the line, 7 frigates of the first rate, 3 of the second rate, 15 sloops of war, 8 schooners. The oldest vessels are the United States, the Constitution, and the Constellation, all built in the year 1797. New building in the United States, 5 ships of the line, and 7 frigates. Of the rank of lieutenants and upwards, there are 325, surgeons and assistant surgeons 97, purser 81, chaplains 9, midshipmen 445, sailing masters 36, sailmakers 14, swains 17, gunners 19, carpenters 12, sail-makers 14. In the marine corps there are 1 colonel, 9 captains, and 39 lieutenants.

SHIPS OF THE LINE, EACH 74 GUNS.

Independence,	built at	Boston.
Washington,	do.	Portsmouth, N. H.
Franklin,	do.	Philadelphia.
Columbus,	do.	Philadelphia.
Ohio,	do.	Washington.
North Carolina,	do.	New York.
Delaware,	do.	Philadelphia.
	do.	Gosport, Va.

FIRST CLASS FRIGATES, EACH 44 GUNS.

United States,	built at	Philadelphia.
Constitution,	do.	Boston.
Guerriere,	do.	Philadelphia.
Java,	do.	Baltimore.
Potomac,	do.	Washington.
Brandywine,	do.	do.
Hudson,	(purchased)	New York.

SECOND CLASS FRIGATES, EACH 36 GUNS.

Congress,	built at	Portsmouth, N. H.
Constellation,	do.	Baltimore.
Macedonian,	(captured.)	

SLOOPS OF WAR, GENERALLY 18 GUNS EACH.

Cyane, *	(captured.)	
John Adams,*	built at	Charleston, S. C.
Erie,	do.	Baltimore.
Ontario,	do.	do.
Peacock,	do.	New York.
Boston,	do.	Boston.
Lexington,	do.	New York.
Vincennes,	do.	do.
Warren,	do.	Boston.
Natchez,	do.	Norfolk.
Falmouth,	do.	Boston.
Fairfield,	do.	New York.
Vandalia,	do.	Philadelphia.
St. Louis,	do.	Washington.
Concord,	do.	Portsmouth.

* Each 24 guns.

SCHOONERS OF WAR, EACH 12 GUNS.

Dolphin,	built at	Philadelphia.
Grampus,	do.	Washington.
Porpoise,	do.	Portsmouth.
Shark,	do.	Washington.
Enterprise,	do.	New York.
Boxer,	do.	Boston.
Fox, 3 guns,	(purchased.)	
Sea Gull, (galliot)	do.	

SHIPS OF THE LINE NOW ON THE STOCKS.

Alabama,	at	Portsmouth, N. H.
Vermont,	do.	Boston.
Virginia,	do.	do.
Pennsylvania,	do.	Philadelphia.
New York,	do.	Norfolk.

FIRST CLASS FRIGATES ON THE STOCKS.

Santee,	at	Portsmouth, N. H.
Cumberland,	do.	Boston.
Sabine,	do.	New York.
Savannah,	do.	do.
Raritan,	do.	Philadelphia.
Columbia,	do.	Washington.
St. Lawrence,	do.	Norfolk.

NAVY YARDS.

There are seven navy yards belonging to and occupied for the use of the United States, viz:

No. 1. The navy yard at Portsmouth, N. H. is situated on an island, on the east side of Piscataqua river, within the jurisdiction of Massachusetts, contains fifty-eight acres, and cost $5,500.

No. 2. The navy yard at Charlestown, Mass. is situated on the north side of Charles river, on a point of land east of the town of Charlestown, contains thirty-four acres, exclusive of extensive flats, and cost $32,214, including commissions and charges.

No. 3 The navy yard at New York, is situated on Long Island, opposite to the city of New York on the Wallabout Bay, contains forty acres, including the mill-pond, and cost $40,000.

No. 4. The navy yard at Philadelphia is situated on the west side of the river Delaware, within the District of Southwark, adjoining the city of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, contains eleven acres to low water mark, and cost $37,000.

No. 5. The navy yard at Washington, in the district of Columbia, is situated on the eastern branch of the river Potomac, containing thirty seven acres, and cost $1,000.

No. 6. The navy yard at Gosport is situated on the south branch of Elizabeth river, adjoining the town of Portsmouth, in the state of Virginia, contains sixteen acres, and cost $12,000.

No. 7. Pensacola, Florida.

Mr. Knowles and Miss Riddle are performing at the Arch street Theatre, which opened for a short season on Monday night last. Miss Virginia Monier, a young American actress, whose talents are highly spoken of, is performing at the Walnut street House. Mrs. Mauder, late Clara Fisher, and Mr. A. Addams, are engaged at the same establishment.

PAUPERS.

From a statement made by the managers of the Philadelphia Almshouse, it appears that during the year 1834, there were admitted into that institution:

American paupers,	males,	764
do do	females	634
	Total	1398
Foreign paupers,	males,	1354
do do	females,	541
	Total	1895
	Grand total	3571

Shewing that the number of foreign paupers, or paupers born out of the United States, exceeds that of native paupers 21¾. Of the entire population of the Almshouse about ½ per cent are child-en, and of the residue 75 per cent have been reduced to pauperism by intemperance.

VENTRILOQUISM.

The managers of the Philadelphia Museum, have engaged Mr. Harrington, the celebrated Ventriloquist from Boston, to give exhibitions of his peculiar faculty, in the Museum, for a few successive nights. Mr. H. is one of the best Ventriloquists in the country, and his exhibitions are in the highest degree interesting. He is a native of Boston, and brings with him strong testimony in relation to talent and skill, from the audiences whom he so frequently entertained in that city and also in New York. Mr. H. performs in addition to his display of Ventriloquism, a variety of tricks of legerdemain, which are confectionary.

The price of admission to the Museum, will cost, at all times a place of profit to the enterprising and liberal-ing mind, has not been increased in consequence of Mr. Harrington's engagement.

The benefit of Mr. Dunore, the very polite and gentlemanly treasurer of the Arch Street Theatre, will take place at that house, on Thursday evening next, Miss Fanny Jarman and Mr. Tyrone have politely volunteered their aid, and will appear in the play of Jane Shore, and the farce of Perfection. These attractions alone should attract a crowded house, but when the merits of the *beneficiaire* are considered in connection therewith, we cannot doubt but that the benefit will prove a *bumper*.

Correspondence of the Saturday Evening Post.

WASHINGTON, FEB. 26, 1835.

DEAR SIR.—The bill relating to offences committed on the high seas, to which I referred in a previous letter, was called up in the Senate on Thursday of last week, on motion of Mr. Clayton, a disposed to a third reading. The object of this bill is to mitigate the present severe punishment for revolt, and the first section provides that in future the penalty for revolt shall be imprisonment and hard labor for a period not exceeding six years. The second section provides that for endeavouring to excite revolt, the penalty shall be imprisonment not exceeding five years. The third section provides for the punishment of masters and captains who may be convicted of excessive and cruel treatment towards seamen, which in such cases are treated as common cases of assault and battery, but the bill proposes a penalty of imprisonment not exceeding five years. The adoption of this bill will be one step further towards the abolition of capital punishment, which now disgrace our statute books. The debate on Mr. Calhoun's bill restricting the executive patronage, was continued by Mr. Grundy and Mr. Clayton. Judge White made a powerful speech on the day previous, and Mr. Poindexter gave notice on Tuesday, that he would address the Senate on the same subject the next day. The bill will not probably pass the Senate, but it will be a difficult matter to push it through the House. Its provisions are entirely democratic in their character, as it merely provides for taking away some of the President's immense power, and placing it in the hands of the people.

In the House of Representatives, the committee of one from each State, appointed to report on the condition of the West Point Academy, made a detailed communication, recommending a new organization of that institution, so that *all* the junior officers of the army may be educated, and the expense of the academy be reduced at the same time. The bill proposes that all persons who enter the army shall spend one year in every three at the academy, until they have acquired a full knowledge of the profession, and dismisses all the cadets now at West Point. A superintendant is to be appointed at a salary of $1,500, and the pay of instructors of the first grade will be $1,000, and second grade $1,200. The bill was laid on the table, and that regulating the deposits in the state banks, was immediately after taken up and discussed. The subject under consideration was the *re-consideration* of the following amendment, proposed by Mr. Binney, and adopted by the House, a day or two previous.

Strike from the fourth section of the bill, as reported from the committee of Ways and Means, the following clause.

"Secondly.—To keep in its vaults, or the vaults of other banks, an amount of specie equal to one fourth the amount of its notes, and bills in circulation, and the balance of its accounts with other banks payable on demand."

And insert in lieu thereof the following:

"To keep in its vaults an amount of specie, which together with the balance of all its accounts with specie-paying banks, shall be equal to one-fifth of the amount of its notes and bills in circulation, and its public and private deposites."

Mr. Polk spoke in favour of reconsideration, and Mr. Binney against it, with his usual zeal and ability. In the course of his remarks, he said that the United States Bank had greatly extended her accommodations immediately after the adjournment of the last session of Congress, but Mr. Binney in reply, proved that these extensions were granted at the earnest solicitations of the merchants and brokers of New York, in order to stave off impending ruin. The previous question was called by Mr. Hubbard, and sustained by the House, when the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 119 to 109. Before any decision was had on the amendment again brought up, the House adjourned.

No business of any importance was transacted in either house on Friday. The House of Representatives was engaged in the discussion of a bill relating to the establishment of the Western Territory, and for the security and protection of the emigrant and other Indians within the same, when the express from New York, bringing important news from France reached the city. It soon became known to the members, and the confusion that ensued is indescribable. The members collected together in groups, conversing loudly of the news, so that it was almost utterly impossible for Mr. Vinton, who occupied the floor, to proceed with his argument. The chair called to order several times, but without success, and the House soon after adjourned. The excitement which prevailed during Friday evening and Saturday, was unparalleled in this city, perhaps no individual was more affected by it, than the President. His natural irritability is well known, and this, of course, must have been much heightened by the unkind and dish-honorable course pursued by the French Government.

In the Senate on Saturday, Mr. Silsbee presented memorials from many citizens of Massachusetts, on the subject of our relations with France, and suggesting, as the most effectual measure to be adopted, a non intercourse law. On a motion to print the memorial, a debate of some interest ensued, in which Mr. Calhoun, Mr. King, of Alabama, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Webster, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brown, Mr. Buchanan, and Mr. Leigh, took part. Mr. Calhoun deemed a war with France in our present condition, the greatest of evils which could befall the country, while Mr. King, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Buchanan, expressed the opinion, that the loss of national honor was the evil of greater magnitude, and that we ought to be ready to defend that, at all hazards. Mr. Poindexter attributed the position in which our affairs now stood with France to the message of the President, and asserted that there was no risk threatening our national honor until that message provoked it.

Mr. Benton answered, that the fact showed, that, although the Chambers had been sitting forty five days before the arrival of the message of the President, the King had not even mentioned, in the appropriation bill; but the message was received, the bill was instantly transmitted to the Chambers, which he considered as proof that the message would lead to the adjustment of the matter. Mr. Leigh expressed regret that the letter of Mr. Livingston, on the subject of the close of the message, had ever been published, and said that he had leaves for the result. The ground taken by Mr. Webster, in two or three sentences, was that the affair had ceased to become a mere question of debt, and that he viewed the crisis as a serious one, but deprecated any discussion at this time.

The memorials were then ordered to be printed. The following letter, addressed to Mr. Van Buren, was then read to the Senate.

WASHINGTON CITY, FEB. 21st, 1835.

SIR: I address you, as the presiding officer of the Senate, on a subject involving a criminal charge, highly injurious to my moral character, and which, if true, ought to cause my expulsion from the august body of which I am a member. An article in the form of a letter, from a person in this city to his correspondent in New York, has found its way into the public prints, and has already been widely circulated throughout the country, containing "that the Administration was possessed of depositions, taken from three individuals, who swear that Richard Lawrence, the assassin, was seen by them in the private room of the Hon. George Poindexter, the two days immediately anterior to his attempting the life of General Jackson."

No one, I presume, sir, can mistake the purpose for which these depositions have been procured.—The evident design is to fix on me the most infamous of all crimes, that of having been an accessary before the fact to an attempt to take the life of the Chief Magistrate, by the hand of an assassin. A charge so atrocious, and so repugnant to the tenor of my past life, resting simply on the authority of an anonymous letter, in the columns of a newspaper, might well be placed to the general account of the calumniator of the day, which is one of late been so freely cast on me, and as such, would scarcely merit contradiction from me. But the investigation which I have thus largely given to the conspiracy against my character, has caused me to trace the authority on which the statement in the letter referred to was founded, to a member of the House of Representatives from Rhode Island, and the depositions therein spoken of have been taken at the instance of the President himself.

Having ascertained these facts, I deem it to be a duty which I owe to myself, to my country, and to society at large, both to the living, and to the dead, to ask the appointment of a special committee, clothed with powers to send for persons and papers, and to unpack into the truth or falsehood of the charges insinuated to me, having relation the Chief Executive Magistrate of the nation, and, if found guilty, I may no longer disgrace the seat which I occupy in this body.

I have the honor to be, with great respect, your obedient servant, G. POINDEXTER.

(Enclosed in the foregoing.)

WASHINGTON, FEB. 21, 1835.

Hon. George Poindexter:—In reply to your note which I received this morning, I am at liberty to state, in answer to the interrogatory which you have propounded, "that the affidavits you see the affidavits of which you speak," that the affidavits were by me read at the house of the President of the United States; they were handed to me in his presence by a friend of his, by me returned to the President, and were put into his hands by the attorney-general, as I have been informed by him; and I am further authorised to say, that other testimony of the kind was rejected. Your most obedient servant,

DUTEE J. PEARCE.

After the reading of the documents Mr. Cass rose, and after a short speech in which he expressed his regret that any charge so foul and preposterous should be a moment be entertained against Gen. Poindexter, moved for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the subject. The motion was unanimously agreed to, and the following gentlemen were chosen by ballot, as the members of the committee: Mr. Moore, Mr. Southard, Mr. King, of Ga. Mr. Wright and Tyler.

In the House the bill to establish the Western Territory was again taken under discussion.

In the Senate on Monday, Mr. Benton, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported in favor of an additional appropriation for Fort Mifflin, on the river Delaware. A number of reports were reported. The bill supplementary to the act to amend the acts relating to the Judicial system of the United States was further considered. Mr. Buchanan moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to amend it by inserting a clause, that new cases, the one to reduce of the State of Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi, and the other of the States of Indiana, Illinois, and Mississippi. Mr. Frelinghuysen moved to amend the instructions to the committee by adding "and to extend to the Third and Fourth Circuits as to the Sixth and Seventh Circuits which now are allowed."

The bill making appropriations for artificial fuel was then considered. The bill was further amended by inserting an appropriation of 15,000 dollars for Fort Mifflin, and an increase of the appropriation for Fort Delaware from 7,000 to 15,000 dollars. The amendment moved by Mr. Benton, that twenty dollars in addition to former appropriations, be granted for the armament of fortifications, was taken up and agreed to. The amendments were ordered to be engrossed, and the Senate proceeded to Executive business.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, and took up a bill making additional appropriations for the Delaware Breakwater, for certain harbours, & removing obstructions in and at the mouths of certain rivers, for the year 1835. Mr. Hubbard moved an amendment, recommended by the Department of War, appropriating $30,000 for the improvement of the Ohio, Mississippi, and Missouri rivers. Mr. Vinton moved to amend this amendment by adding $80,000 for the improvement of the Ohio River, between Pittsburg and the Falls; on which a debate, long and animated, took place.—Agreed to, 78 to 54. Mr. Wise then moved to amend the bill by appropriating $7,000 for removing the mouth of the Schuylkill River. A little warming took place between him and Mr. Sutherland on the explanations which accompanied this amendment. The appropriation was not agreed to.

On Tuesday, in the Senate, the bill to establish branches of the Mint was taken up and debated during the whole of the session. In the House the only item of business of any importance, was the adoption of a resolution offered by Mr. R. M. Johnson, that the system of discipline and tactics prepared by Major General Scott, under the direction of the War Department, and in conformity with a resolution of the House of Representatives of April 8, 1834, shall be established for the government of the army of the United States of the militia.

The ridiculous charge got up to injure Mr. Poindexter is scouted by the reasonable and reflecting of all parties. It is too absurd to be credited for a moment. It is now stated that one of the persons who deposed that he saw Lawrence enter the house of Mr. Poindexter, has confessed that he was mistaken, and that it was the House of a Mr. Frost, near that of Mr. Poindexter, that he saw the mysterious character stand. Lawrence, it appears, was engaged in that house as a printer. So falls to the ground the base allegation against the character of Gen. Poindexter.

The navigation of the Delaware is again open, and ships are arriving and departing daily. The steamboat line to Baltimore has resumed its trips. Business is brisk in Market street, a large number of western merchants being now in the city. We anticipate a prosperous season.

POSTSCRIPT.

Still Later from France.

By the ship Independence from Liverpool at New York, London dates of the 26th ult. and Paris dates of the 26th, have been received. The news from France is not so favorable for a speedy adjustment of the American claims, as was anticipated. Russia, it appears, has taken advantage of the present peculiar situation of affairs, and urged upon France, claims of her own. This has given rise to conjectures that the Chambers will reject our demands, for fear of being compelled to meet those of their Russian neighbours. If so, a non intercourse law, or an act of reprisals, will assuredly be adopted by Congress.

The elections in England continue favourable to the liberal party.

Private Correspondence.

PARIS, Jan. 24.—The claim advanced by the Emperor of Russia, as king of Poland, in the name of the Grand Duchy of Warsaw, against the present government of France, in virtue of a convention for the respective adjustment of claims and counter-claims between the two countries, concluded on the 27th of September, 1816, is likely to become a stumbling block in the way of the settlement of the American question, from the fear that is entertained lest the recognition of the one debt should be regarded as a precedent for the acknowledgement of the other.

M. Dupin, the president of the Chamber of Deputies, has been heard when these few days to express himself very strongly against the ratification of the Washington treaty by the Chamber; and the idea seems to gain ground among the members generally that a second refusal may be hazarded without any serious risk of quarrel with the government of the United States. However erroneous this view of the matter may be, after the attitude assumed by the American President in his late message of Congress, the fact of its being so generally entertained may possibly lead to very inconvenient results.

On a question of this nature the opposition is likely to gain, as formerly, a considerable accession of votes from among the habitual adherents of Ministers. In the mean time the Carlists and the Republicans are equally zealous in their endeavours to embroil the affair still further by the suggestion of claims from other quarters, to an indefinite and extravagant amount, which the sanction of the American treaty would call into being. Of all the opposition journals the *National* declares itself most strenuously against the proposed recognition, and as usual, its arguments are conducted in such a manner as to give expression to the Republican ideas of its private rancor against the person of the king.

The day before yesterday it was stopped at the Post office, and the remainder of the edition seized at the printing office, in consequence of an article on the subject on which it commenced, in a manner sufficiently intelligible, that the King himself had become the purchaser to a large amount of the original claims which [illegible] in the number of this morning a threat is held out, that if the article in question should be made the subject of prosecution, such disclosures will be made with regard to the present holders of the claims as will be anything but agreeable.

With this view it is announced that application has already been made to persons in the United States, well informed on the subject, and that the one or substantiating the defence may be expected to arrive against the day of trial. The announcement seems to prove that there was no substantial ground, or at least nothing like evidence, for the original assertion. It was expected to obtain credit from His Majesty's known character for prudence in the management of his pecuniary resources; but after all it may fairly be doubted whether it is equally well to make an offence of this nature the subject of a state prosecution. Z.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The Paris papers of Saturday, which now have received by express, contains little or no disquietude respecting the demands made by America and Russia for indemnity. With respect to the American claims, the Constitutional asserts that, though the Ministers will leave no means untried to carry the bill for the payment of the 25,000,000 fr., they dare not intend to make its adoption a Cabinet question, and that, should the Chamber of Deputies resolve to reject that measure, they will still retain their places. The same journal intimates that the supporters of Ministers need not be deterred from voting against the bill by the fear of endangering the existence of the present Administration.

War between France and the United States. On the policy of such an occurrence the Journal des Débats, a ministerial paper, thus expresses itself:—"We do not hesitate to say that of all the wars practicable or possible for France the most foolish, the most *gauche*, the most impolitic, that which would cause the double interest of the Bourse, the Commerce, the Hague, and which would most afflict all the friends of liberty in Europe, would be a war between France and the United States.

Only conceive the cause of joy which the men who labor to resuscitate the party of the Holy Alliance would utter when they saw France employing the forces and the power which she has acquired since the revolution of July in a struggle against the sister, of the United States—when they saw these two people, who, in the Old and New world, represent the liberal cause, mutually warring against each other, what intrigues would be set on foot against us at home while we were occupied against brother freemen abroad?"

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The Paris papers of Thursday have arrived, with those of the south of France to the 19th.

The possibility of another indemnity being to be paid to Russia, as Sovereign of Poland, had attracted public attention in Paris at a most awkward moment, and is likely to have unfavourable influence upon the American claim.

A long and hard and unconfortant debate which followed the presentation on Wednesday, of the papers relative to the American claim, it is evident that the French Chamber is resolved to go fully into the question, and, without taking the word of either Minister or Commissioner, assure itself of the justice of whatever of the demand.

The question has excited great discussion, even amongst the French Ministerialists. Thus the Memorial Bordelais is so indignant as President Jackson himself, at the rejection of the claim by the Chamber; while the Courier de Lyon, also Ministerial, and devoted to the manufacturing interests of Lyons, upholds the necessity of refusing a demand so imperious made. It would seem from this, that Lyons has lost considerably the supply of the American market, which it once possessed in a great measure.

Persons who write concisely, and without reference to the connection of the sentences and the rules of punctuation, frequently indite paragraphs of an exceedingly inherent character. The annexed advertisements, copied from a New York paper, are cases in point:

"Wanted, a coachman to take charge of a gentleman's horse and other kind of"

"A mother desires to see extra of a male child of industrious habits and quiet manners will hear of a place by applying at No. — Park Row."

STATE OF THE THERMOMETER.

Kept at Stokes' Medical Pharmacy, Corner of Second and Spruce streets, Philadelphia.

FEBRUARY	A M	A M	A M	M	P M	P M	P M
	7	9	12	3	6	9	12
Friday,	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	29	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Saturday,	21	27	31	34	34	32	31
Sunday,	22	26	30	35	36	30	27
Monday,	23	28	32	34	34	32	30
Tuesday,	24	30	33	39	37	34	33
Wednesday,	25	31	35	40	39	36	34
Thursday,	26	31	36	38	36	34	31

WEATHER.—26th, clear; 27th, clear; 23d, rain; 24th, snow; 25th, cloudy; 26th, cloudy.

A. M'MAKIN, Proprietor.

A new way to test the tenacity of a lie.—A Southern paper speaking of the increased pleasure of the town, notices that doctors with long faces, and a very well dressed book, become a nuisance if they are exposed so very much needed.

A CARD.

The subscriber, during a residence in Europe (part of which time he was at the head of the Royal Mint and the first Laboratory of Paris) has had ample opportunities of making himself familiar with the Metallurgic art, because of Mineralogy, as connected in the Arts, including Metallurgy, the art of Mining, &c. is in the house of influencing the public that he will undertake to analyze Ores, Coals, Earths, or any one connected with the above branches, for others he has not established a private Laboratory. For scientific conference and all questions connected with the above branches, charges will be made to be governed by the difficulties or magnitude of the research. [illegible]

N. B.—Communications, post paid, will receive prompt attention. THOMAS G. FEMINO.

Ex-Professor of Theoretical and Practical Chemistry &c. in Paris.

Corner of 5th and Filbert streets, Philadelphia. jan 11 ds m

A CARD.

Arch Street Theatre.

TREASURER'S BENEFIT.

MR. DUNMORE, the acceptable treasurer, with friends and the patronage of the Chorus and Arch Street Families, that he will on Thursday Evening, March 5th, take place of MISS FANNY JARMAN and MR. TERNAN, who have kindly given Washington to Rosalind, Jane to Jane Shore, and Perfection to Perfection, and will appear for the First Time at this Theatre, and for this night only.

Miss FANNY JARMAN will endeavor, for the first time in America, the character of JANE SHORE, and Mr. TERNAN (who has not been on the stage since 1829) will for the last time of Tragedy of "JANE SHORE."

After which, by particular request, the celebrated Farce of Perfection, THOMAS TYRONE, Mr. O'BRIEN, MISS FANNY JARMAN.—With other Entertainments as will be expressed in the Bills of the day.

COMMUNICATION.

We, the subscribers, having studied with Mr. Mengerand, S. N. Stokes, of Spruce street, Book-keeping, and now have proved system of Book Keeping, are of opinion that it our system of all other systems with which we are acquainted. Mr. Stokes's system is the best, as it is the most simple and perfect, the system of his predecessors, the rules and principles are those with which every book keeper should be acquainted, and retain such portions only, as are founded on immutable philosophy of principles to which he has made a very valuable addition. The system of Mr. Stokes, also, which never can conflict in all its bearings is evident to all those who have studied the science of Book Keeping, and who have experienced little hitching a correct journal form, an infallible rule for Dr and Cr. a sure method of posting and closing accounts, all of which is necessary to make a Book Keeper. A Balance Sheet, is shown in a condensed and beautiful form the whole transactions of an entire year, the accounts are made so simple and easy as to be within the compass any child of ten years of age of ordinary capacity. This system being established on a philosophical principle, we feel certain it cannot be shaken.

While we express our thanks to Mr. Mengerand for his patient attention, and his pleasing manner of imparting a so much knowledge of his invaluable system, we must not forget to return and him for the very able manner in which he has [illegible] and [illegible] the system of Dr. Stokes, and [illegible] the merits of his system, we would earnestly recommend all those who desire a thorough knowledge of Book Keeping, (for some other reason than the name) to avail themselves of so able an instructor.

WM. F. REEDER.
JOHN DUBOIS.

Philadelphia.

American Theatre,

WALNUT STREET.

Admission, Boxes 50 cents—Pit 25 cents—Gallery 12½ cents. Doors open at 6 before 6—Performance to commence at 7 sharp. [illegible]

Saturday Evening, February 28, 1835,

Will be performed the New Music Drama of the

OLD MAN'S CURSE.

After which the celebrated AMERICAN DWARF,

MAJOR STEVENS,

Will appear as

TOM THUMB,

His first appearance in Philadelphia for Ten years

For the Saturday Evening Post.

MELANCHOLY.

There is in every a sensation in the human breast, an capable of depicting the exalted spirit, of all Nature, and of inspiring the rational contemplation of man's destination, or his leadership. Human is of an limited contemplation, or limited contemplation, and there will be manifested an agreeable disposition of the mind for reflection, and contemplation upon subjects for superior to those carried by the ordinary concerns of life. It is then, by some it is manifested, or in connection with the common duties of our lives, but on the contrary, by others of a more reflecting character, it is considered as capable of producing a mental enjoyment by disturbing a calmness from about the troubled mind that proves to some other a sig. refreshing and pleasing, not pleasing in the literal gratifications, but an internal an at an unspeakable pleasure, entirely consistent with the feelings of man as they are acted upon by concurrent circumstances productive of this state of mind. Thus a lion has and is disturbed by the jarring elements of external strife, when anger, or resentment and inventive, or spiritually succeed each other and continue to destroy his peace, or in that state it causes as a moderation, to reconcile the disposed passions and spread peace and calmness over the troubled spirits. In this state, our imaginations are supplied with sobriety, more calm, and more elevated subjects of reflections, not can a supposition it until we come go from a, and again enter the scope of the world's influence, to be depressed or exalted according to our respective determinations. Tyro.

[COMMUNICATED.]

NEW PRICE CURRENT.

Honesty—None in market.
Patriotism—First quality, no demand; second, disposed by benefit upon speculation at par.
Prudence—All held by old stockholders.
Modesty—None but dam-good varieties in market, the prime lots being bought up by Messrs. Tom and Jerry.
Vice—Large quantities held—no sale.
Pride—Market glutted.
Politeness—Very cheap, but the owners appear indifferent about the disposal of it.
Wit—Little or none on hand.
Avarice—None offered at wholesale; the article altogether engrossed by hawkers and pedlers.
Religion—When brought into market, it is generally adulterated; such a nominal.
Love—None offered except for real estate.
Coquetry—Very little offered in consequence of the difficulty of managing the sales.
Talent—A scarce article—no credit allowed.
Sincerity—Out of season.

SWEARING

The following observations are respectfully offered to those who are accustomed to this disgusting habit:

It is not easy to perceive what pleasure can arise from the empty sound of monosyllabic interjections; or what important advantage can accrue from the profane use of God, devil, damn, curse, than from the sound of wax, waters, jaws, ash, or any number of words of the same nothing. It is not easy to perceive what profits are assumed to it. When ever fortune may be made by, enjoy I believe the man was a man made a fortune by common swearing. It often happens that men pay for their swearing, but it so does happens that they are paid for it. It is not easy to perceive what honour or credit is connected with it. Does any man receive promotion because he is a nominal swearer? Is any man advanced to dignity because he is expert at profane swearing? Never! Low must be the character which such impertinence would exalt; high must be the character which such impertinence would not degrade. I essemble, the elore, must be the practice which has no other reason not pleasure to support it. The drunkard has his cups; the satyrist his revenge; the assassin man his preferments; the miser his gold; but the common swearer has nothing; he is a fool at large; wits his soul for nough, and drudges in the service of the devil gratis. Swear! a word of all place; it is not the native of prayer; it has neither, nor in sentiment with the texture of the body, or any have allied to our frame; for, as a great man (Filletoin) expresses it—"though some men pour out oaths as if they were natural, yet no man was ever born with a swearing constitution." But it is a custom, a low and silly custom, picked up by low and paltry aspirits, who hope to arrive at honour, and respect by deriving the vulgar and enlisted habit to the exclusion of the customer, begged him to tell him what he had better do for them. "My advice, I said," replied the Quaker, "is that thou shouldst put thy brandy on thy eyes, and let thy goggles over thy mouth."

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RISE OF CURRAN.

When Curran was called to the bar, he was without friends, without connexions, without fortune—consequence of talents far above the mob by which he was elbowed, and end ed with a sense by which reader ed him painfully alive to the inattention he was accustomed to experience. He lodged in a miserable garret, accessible at the pressure of Cork, and wearing, as he said himself, his teeth almost to their storage, he proceeded to the metropolis, taking for his wife and young children a mean table lodging on High-hill. Term after term, without either profit or professional notice, he attended the hall of the Four Courts. Yet even this he was not altogether unfortunate. If his pocket was not heavy, his heart was light. He was young and ardent—buoyant up not less by the consciousness of what he felt within, than by his sanguine expectations of what he should yet achieve. Yet even at that time, he was a successful orator of him, and he took his station among the crowd of aliens whom he amused with his wit, or amazed by his eloquence. Many even who had emerged from that crowd, did not disdain occasionally to glean from his exhaustless stock of rich and varied treasures which he did not feel to impoverish with the most unsparing prodigality; and some there were, who observed the brightness of the infant luminary straggling through the obscurity that clouded its commencement. Amongst those who had the discernment to appreciate and the feeling to feel for him, he lately for Curran, was Mr Arthur Wills, afterwards the unfortunate but respected Lord Kilwarden. The first fee of any consequence that he received, was through his recommendation; and his social of the incident cannot be without interest to the young professional aspirant who a temporary neglect may have sunk into dejection. "I then lived," said he, "upon Hog Hill; my wife and children were the chief furniture of my apartments; and as to my rent, it could pretty much the same chance of liquidation as the moon and alabs. Mr Curran, however, was a barrister's lady, and what was wanted in wit, she was well determined should be supplied by dignity. The landlady, on the other hand, had no idea of any gentleman except that of pounds, shillings and pence. I liked not one nothing to avoid the perpetual altercation on the subject, and I was resolved to quit the house. Curran, on his very enviable temperament, I fell into the gloom into which from my infancy I had been occasionally subject. I had a family for whom I had no dinner, and a landlady to whom I had no rent. I had gone abroad in despondency, and returned home a lionized in disposition. When I opened the door of my lady, where Lysater alone could have found a library, the first object which presented itself was an immense lump of a beef, twenty or thirty gentlemen was piled up beside it, and the name of Rob Lysaght marked upon the back of it. I had not dined for a good deal, so I gave Rob L. one a share of it, and that dinner was the date of my prosperity," such was his own exact account of his professional advancement.

Precepts are of great weight, and a few useful cases at hand do more towards a happy life, than whole volumes of cautions that we know not where to find.

Satan.

Character should be kept bright as well as clean; in purity of character, and in point of manners, labour to excel all, if you wish to equal many.

Good sense and benevolence will suggest the great rules of good breeding to you; good company will do the rest.

The device of pleasing is at least half the art of doing it; the rest depends only upon the manner which attention, observation, and frequenting good company, will teach.

Gentleness of manners with firmness of mind, is a short, but full description of human perfection, or the sole of religious and moral duties, which they adorn and support.

Speaking well is the most since part of all accomplishments, because in most frequent use, and on the nearest connection with mind. Cicero says, it is glorious to excel other men in that article in which men excel brutes.

The thing in the world, says Montaigne, I am most afraid of, is fear; fear is alone is the trouble of it, exceeding all of her evil effects.

To die well, you must let your conscience before you happy is he who finishes the business of his life before his death, who takes the home corners has nothing to do but to die, and who makes no delay, to excuse him to put his house in order.

Under all circumstances, there is but one honest course; and that is to do right, and trust the consequences to Divine Providence. "Duties are ours, events are Gods." Policy with all her cunning, can devise no rule so safe, salutary, and effective, as the simple maxim—Mac Urban.

The principal virtues or vices of a woman must be of a private and domestic kind. Within the circle of her own family and dependents lies her sphere of action, the scene of almost all those tasks and trials, which must determine or character and her fate, here and hereafter. Reflect, for a moment, how much the happiness of her husband, children and servants, must depend on her temper, and you will see that the greatest good, or evil which she ever may have in her power to do, arises from her exercising or withholding the influence, of her Chesterfield.

Good people by good example often correct the defects of others without reproving them; and those who are not good, often reprove without correcting them.

Cultivate a taste for reading, and hoard up what you can, a great stock of knowledge, for though you may not, during the active season of youth, have occasion to spend much of it, yet depend upon it, a time will come when you will wish it to maintain you. Public generosity are filled in plentiful years, not that it is known that the man, or the school, or third year will prove a worthless one but that amount or lower, such a year will come, in which the grain will be wanted.

Great virtues are rare; by comparison for those are very rare; and when they do occur we are prepared for them, we are startled by the grandeur of the exhibition, we are supported either by the splendour of the blood or by the eyes of the world. Not so the simple, unassuming, but unremitting exercise of those virtues, which are exercised from the performance of an uncommon action. Little things are unknown; they return every moment, they come in contact with our pride, our indolence, our laughtiness, our resolutions to make efforts; they constitute our inclinations generally. We would much rather make certain great sacrifices to God, however violent and painful they might be, upon conditions that we should be recorded by history to follow our own desires and habits in the double of life. It is however only by SUBMITTING to little things, that a true and the great love to God can be distinguished from a passing fever of spirit.—Fenelon.

True devotion is not a mere chilly sentiment that day dawn the mirror and reflection the show of phenomena, which the poets so fond of; on the contrary, there is nothing so friendly to joy, so productive of true pleasure, so peculiarly fitted to the warmth and innocence of a youthful heart. Do not therefore think it is time to turn your mind to God; but offer him the first fruits of your understanding and affections; not to use not that time on you, such as we have to him, and delight in his laws, the more you will increase in happiness, in excellence and honour; that in proportion as you endeavor in true piety, you will become more and more to your fellow creatures, content and cheerful in you self; and gratified to enjoy the best blessings of this life, as well as to share the glorious promise of immortality.—Mrs Chapone.

West and Hells, London—The company that frequent them are a medley of all ranks and classes—of fashion and of dust—of no fashion, beaux and lovers, of wheel veterans and beardless stripling, rogues and bankrupts, blackleggs and greenhorns, swindlers and prentice boys. The object that each of them has entirely in view is the universal employment of mankind in different measures and in every varying shade of merit to enrich himself at the expense of his neighbor; in this case it is carried on by the treacherous card and the deceitful dice. Rouge et Noir—the red and the black—the red flush of success and the black depth of dismay is the character of the game, whatever be the red hand of play. Yet there are some master minds ever to be seen at these temples of the blind goddess, who, whether they win or lose, preserve the coolness of mind setting at ease among their fellows. To arrive at this state of mind is the perfection of their art. To strike the wave of nature, to disguise their sensations, to frustrate on her affections, to make a god and a religion the spirit of plunder, to have real the prime article of which forbids us to bid for others, and to give up even the privilege of feeling for ourselves. This is the perfection of the gamester's part. Neither satisfied with success nor vex'd with ruin, the true gambler must put away his heart, or sold it to that operation by which flesh is made harder than stone. In a profane of gambler we behold talent without admiration, age without reverence, and rank with at respect.—[Leigh Hunt's Journal.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

LIFE OF SIR HUMPHREY DAVY.

Who has not read or heard of Sir Humphrey Davy? Where is the person, young or old, who, knowing any thing of his discoveries and inventions, does not feel some curiosity to be more acquainted with a few particulars of his early life?

Sir Humphrey Davy was born at Penzance, in Cornwall, England, on the 17th of December, 1778. Nothing very remarkable is related of him as a child. He was quick and industrious, and had a great fondness for reading. Several instances have been mentioned of his ingenuity, and of his taste for experiments, or of his inquisitiveness, even acting from the problems of God, devil, demon, curse, than from the sound of wax, waters, jaws, ash, or any number of words of the same nothing. It is not easy to perceive what profits are assumed to it. When ever fortune may be made by, enjoy I believe the man was a man made a fortune by common swearing. It often happens that men pay for their swearing, but it so does happens that they are paid for it. It is not easy to perceive what honour or credit is connected with it. Does any man receive promotion because he is a nominal swearer? Is any man advanced to dignity because he is expert at profane swearing? Never! Low must be the character which such impertinence would exalt; high must be the character which such impertinence would not degrade. I essemble, the elore, must be the practice which has no other reason not pleasure to support it. The drunkard has his cups; the satyrist his revenge; the assassin man his preferments; the miser his gold; but the common swearer has nothing; he is a fool at large; wits his soul for nough, and drudges in the service of the devil gratis. Swear! a word of all place; it is not the native of prayer; it has neither, nor in sentiment with the texture of the body, or any have allied to our frame; for, as a great man (Filletoin) expresses it—"though some men pour out oaths as if they were natural, yet no man was ever born with a swearing constitution." But it is a custom, a low and silly custom, picked up by low and paltry aspirits, who hope to arrive at honour, and respect by deriving the vulgar and enlisted habit to the exclusion of the customer, begged him to tell him what he had never drier than. "My advice, I said," replied the Quaker, "is that thou shouldst put thy brandy on thy eyes, and let thy goggles over thy mouth."

A Longitudinal Adventure.—Not long since, a renowned clergyman in New Hampshire, (not Vermont, as the Concord paper has it) being apprehensive that the intemperate use of ardent spirits had crept of his flock, and that some of his parishioners were fond of the bottle, addressed a sermon on the subject, and he therefore succeeded in, but having first, for fear the above might all side off at once, himself with it, fastened to his waist one end of a rope, and giving the other to his wife, he went to work, but lost no spirit his subject. "My dear," said he, "if I pull the rope round your waist, then pull on Sam Tom's Day.

W. E. Y. E. and all the rest,
Quem Gorman pun, and (your best)
Pull (say) the rope, and all you ever—
Will supply in, and wash you on.

Take Hudson—if you do not pay,
Pay you in troubled every day;
Pay immediate never gets you pence,
Tell you to be our debtor cease.

But if in answer to our call,
You promptly pay us, one and all—
They you most prosperously thrive,
In exchange hundred thirty-five.

In the "Freeman," a novel written by Richard Penn Smith, Benjamin Hodges gives the following very original reason for appointing the field of battle, during an engagement: "An unused hollow came close to my rifle, and has nearly destroyed the only one that my dear wife can have of. I have there was more and where that came from, but very low more cups where the come from; so I honestly marched off in the front of a piece of asbeg, both for my cost and conscience."

EPITAPH.

Who lies below? What rocks is who?
Enough! I lived—I died—
Long past! I had my hour of my guide,
My pleasures and my pride.

But what are these? And what am I?
What but full even must be:
Like all the buried past, I did—
And you must die like me. PASTOR.

Chess Match—Mr. C. L. playing at white the other evening, with an intimate friend, who, we understand, has hitherto been conspicuous, to hold the Mahometan doctrine of oblation in perfect contempt, and to have with a commissioner more in mirror than in sight, "My good fellow, if dirt were trumps, what a hand you would have."

"A donkey carrying a load of books," said Amru, the conqueror of Egypt, "is as respectable an animal as the person whose head is crammed with learning that he does not understand."

A Queen Bee.—Mr. Sergeant, in giving a Temperance Lecture to the Bloomers a few evenings ago, related the following anecdote:

"A gentleman drinking in Dublin, one who gave to almost every customer who came in, an example of moderate drinking, was harnessing the horse of a Quaker who had stopped at his house, and as he met with some difficulty in buckling a strap, complained of the hardness of his eyes, which were covered by a pair of goggles. At the Quaker remembered an interest in the matter, he handed the goggles, that he might see the reason and enhanced hole to the exasperation of his customer, begged him to tell him what he had never drier than. "My advice, I said," replied the Quaker, "is that thou shouldst put thy brandy on thy eyes, and let thy goggles over thy mouth."

OYSTER TRAPS.

The fable of the rat whose head was caught in the oyster, is not so wide a departure from truth as many suppose. A late New-York Herald says that a full sized duck not long since dived ashore near Old Point, in that neighborhood, and, as he fell enclosed between the shells of an oyster. It is supposed that the duck had dived to the bottom and thrust his bill into the opened shell of the oyster, upon which the latter, not relishing such an attack, closed the doors of his "house" so suddenly that the duck could not disengage his bill;—and that his head was thus kept under water till he was drowned.

Raccoons are also very fond of oysters; and long after nightfall of a moonlight night to prowl along the sea shore in search of their favorite prey, which they of on find with their mouths open, they often put in their paw, and are taken prisoners. It is—a d that they sometimes use the precaution to drop a pebble between the shells before they venture their paw; but this is not so well proved.

We ourselves, have seen a huge rat brought out of a cellar, with his tail caught between the shells of an oyster; into which it had fallen no doubt, by accident.

Repartee.—Governoh is fell of wit. "I tear," said a lady to him, "the I shall not make a good bride." Oh, madam, I will make the best," was the reply.

Stagner's Truss,
For the Radical Cure of Hernia.

MR. THOMAS STAGNER, of Kentucky, has invented and obtained a Patent for a Truss which has gained a very high character wherever the whole western country. It has been in full effect for more than six years, and has stood the test of a very extensive and severe trial, and is better calculated to restrain obstinate protrusions than any of the instruments hitherto known or in use.

The subscriber, in connexion with most of his brethren in the West, continues to highly recommend the Patent Truss, as invention, that he believed and said a large part for the purpose of introducing it into the practice of Surgery throughout the States of Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Pennsylvania. He has made arrangements for supplying the Truss in any quantity, and from a well selected stock, at his office, No. 6 South Fourth street, Philadelphia, where he will be happy to receive calls from patients and from surgeons of the faculty who may desire to see a new and improved Truss. Not being able to attend cases remote from Philadelphia, he will sell rights to apply the Truss in Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey. Letters, post paid, will meet prompt attention.

Philadelphia, Jan. 17, 1854. J. W. HOOD.

The following testimonials are selected from a large number which have been received from the distinguished men of the profession:

WILLIAM GIBSON, M. D., the able and distinguished Professor of Surgery in the University of Pennsylvania, has spoken of this Truss in the most favorable manner, in a library letter to his pupils. After a true account of the rule of a Truss, and not to be the cause of the disease, with the exception of some few cases which had been effected in children, he went on to say, that although he was formerly highly impressed with the excellent, yet he had not in a great extent, he would add a that time, from any certain conclusion as to its use, and that he was acquainted of any cases in which the instrument had been applied, but since then he had witnessed three cases, in each of which the most perfect cure had been effected. He said, and in the case of a child of three years of age, which was the subject of a hernia, which had been wearing a truss since three years, on one side, as large as a goose egg, and on the other side, as large as a hen's egg, the truss was applied, which has, to his experience, effected a perfect cure. Another, and an far advanced in age, in whom the hernia was partially irreducible, with a tendency to inflammation, was, whenever the truss was applied, in great pain, and in great attention, which, by the application of Stagner's Truss, has been radically cured. A particular division of the part, by the "tubes of Astley." And, that of a young man, who had been cured of the inguinal Hernia by the same instrument.

Dr. Gibson then said—"From these cases, from the testimony of other gentlemen entitled to the same, gathered from the results of a long and extensive practice, I am fully satisfied by the Truss, and from his former impression with respect to the application of the Truss, I am now prepared to say, that the terrible misery, he had the most favorable opinion towards it, and had great hopes that it would come an easier and more humane relief than any other."

From the Review and Lectures of Medical and Chirurgical Subjects, edited by URANSVILLE PHARP PATTERSON, M. D., Professor of Anatomy, Philadelphia.

STAGNER'S PATENT TRUSS.

Within the last two years, we have received numerous letters from a distance, asking our opinion as to whether it was probable that Hernia could be cured by wearing a Truss in which a piece of wood was substituted for the material usually employed as a pad. Reasoning on general principles, we answered that it was not, and that it was not, and that we had not prepared to believe that any Truss which could be applied, would, in any number of cases, produce a radical cure. Nevertheless, however, in consequence of the particular belief of curing Hernia by the application of STAGNER'S PATENT TRUSS, in which a piece of wood of the form of a horse-shoe is substituted for the usual pad, we admit, but a personal examination of the case, could have convinced us of the possibility of curing Hernia by this or any other Truss. A few months since, we were, however, informed that even very large Crural Hernias might be perfectly cured by the application of this Truss, and in a few early days, we remember to have saw both to the Professor and to the public, to give the most extensive currency to a fact so important to humanity.

There are few diseases more intractable than Hernia. If large, it cannot be cured, and if small, it is very apt to grow into, and even should they be small, he is constantly placed in a state of jeopardy, as the slightest imprudence in the case of such may produce a strangulation, which is fatal. Yet, in common use, as we have before remarked, very rarely in the hands of the regular practitioner, and not very rarely in the hands of the quack, is the Truss, which is made to be worn, and which, if properly applied, is sufficient to retain, in the majority of cases, the most of small Truss.

EDWIN A. ATLEE, M. D. Philada.

I have for several years past, known Mr. Henry S. T., and attended his family, during which time he has worn his usual under cuirass of Hernia. I can now bear testimony to the superiority of Stagner's Patent Truss, and state in confidence to myself entirely satisfied, and as an actual that the rod secured has, in his case, healed up the aperture through which the hernia protruded, and he is now entirely relieved from it.

Dec. 12, 1850. THOMAS H. YARDLEY, V. D.

I this day examined three cases of Hernia, which had attended my several years, and been treated by the application of a wooden Truss, which had been recommended by the inventor of Stagner's Patent Truss a few weeks ago. In each case, I have the satisfaction of being able to state, that the rod secured has been effectual in preventing the protrusion of the hernia, and that the rod secured has, in each case, healed up the aperture through which the hernia protruded, and he is now entirely relieved from it.

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Having used the Patent Truss of Stagner, for the permanent cure of Hernia, in several cases with perfect success, and has in one case, a very extensive Hernia, which I have, in Dr. Hood, of Kentucky, also cured, do certify, that a trial of from three to twelve weeks, is all that is necessary, to be sure that are effected with this distressing disease can desire.

Philada., Nov. 15, 1850. J. P. ROSE, M. D.

feb 15—1y

New and Fashionable
JEWELLERY, WATCHES, &c.

THE subscriber, having added to his large stock, a variety of new and fashionable goods, which he, respectfully invite a his friends and the public to call before purchasing elsewhere.—Rich Coral Necklaces, Gold, do. various patterns, Ear rings, Breast pins, and Finger rings, in great variety, A very handsome assortment of Lockets, and a splendid gold watch, Gold Pens, Pencil Cases, Gold Watches, Silver do. Lever, Patent Lever, and Common Watches, Clocks, Spectacles, Patent and Britannia Metal Spoons, Silver Spoons, Forks and Butter knives, &c. &c.

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N. B.—Stock Frames and Buckles for sale by the gross or dozen. Also stocks covered anew, and suspenders repaired.

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THE subscriber has on hand an extensive and complete assortment of MACHINE CARDS and FILLETING, for Cotton, Fallers, Carter and Woollen Manufacturers and Machine Builders. As I have been engaged in card making for the last 20 years, and well acquainted with every department of card manufacture, and, together with mechanically of the best quality, I have no hesitation in warranting my cards to be not only as good as any made in the United States, but superior to any Foreign in use of Card clothing, are respectfully invited to call. Manufacturers and Machine Builders can depend upon getting the first rate article.

☞ All orders by mail, or otherwise, will be promptly attended to. JOHN H. PARKER,
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NO. 206 Callowhill street, (north side,) second door below Fifth street, and No. 425 Market street, (north side,) 2nd door above 4th street.

JAMES HILL, manufacturer on hand at his stores an assortment of FUR and SILK HATS of the best workmanship, and of the most approved fashion, which for quality cannot be surpassed in the City or Liberties.

J. H. particularly requests the attention of the public, to his improvement in the manufacture of SILK HATS. Combining, by rendering the measure round their heads, the number of inches high, and the size of the Brim, can have a Hat made agreeably to fit to order.

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☞ An Apprentice wanted. nov 15—6t—1y

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A NEW Institution for that purpose, is to be established in this city, on improved liberal principles, for the benefit of depositors, to be called the "Philadelphia Savings Bank," to deposit, choosing their accounts, term and times of deposit, and to receive the interest thereon, annually. It is to visit the classes introduced in those special institutions.

It is contemplated, to allow interest on sums as down to a dollar, and to receive deposits from minors, and to issue Certificates of deposits will be given when it's operated, and the interest credited to the parties. Information of all the details of the Institution may be had at the Office No. 180 North Tenth street, where the Bank will be open, between the hours of 10 and 2 o'clock, where books will be opened for subscriptions, and where books for all the needful information will be furnished. feb 7—tf

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feb 7—month Principal, M. A. WRIGHT.

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THE undersigned has on hand a large assortment of Watches, Jewellery, which he will Sell Cheap for Cash or Exchange for Rags, Old Brass, Copper, Pewter Hooks, Sugar Tongs, Butter Knives, Silver Thimbles, Bracelets, Ear rings, Finger rings, Breast pins, Brooks Watch Chains, Bun Keys, Gold Pens, Pencils, Bonds Watches, Clocks, Spectacles, Lepines, and Plain Watches, repaired, cleaned and warranted.

jan 17—6m

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As an evening partner at the late firm of Somerville & Draper, he has had the opportunity of making Theodolites on a share of public patronage, on account of the high reputation given to the instruments by those gentlemen.

☞ Orders from any part of the United States, thankfully received, and punctually attended to on the most favorable terms. EDMUND DRAPER.

feb 14—1y

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Celebrated Cough Mixture.

FOR the cure of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Spitting of Blood, Liver Complaints, Hooping Cough, Consumption, and all affections of the Breast and Lungs.

This highly useful medicine is prepared from the formula of Dr. Holmes, of Philadelphia, and has been used in a very extensive practice, and it with the most unmixed success for the cure of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, and Affections of the Lungs.

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☞ Prepared and sold by the proprietor, S. M. HOLMES, SMALL & Drug and Chemical Store, No. 312 Market street, and door to the Western Bank, Philadelphia. feb 7—1y

Canton House,
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CHEAP Clothing, Cloths, Cassimeres, Satinets, Vestings and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, for sale at the Canton House, No. 38 South Eighth street, and the public, but they have opened those stores for the sale of Tents, Coffee, Chocolate and provisions, and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, Cheap.

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The assortment of the articles of this city and its vicinity, respectfully solicited, to which CHARLES & SYLVESTER submit a list of prices, viz:

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